## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1.- 22. (canceled)
- 23. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing an article comprising: disposing an electrically insulating backing upon a preformed winding of magnet wire;

disposing mica paper upon the electrically insulating backing; and coating the mica paper with a polymeric resin.

- 24. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the electrically insulating backing is fibrous.
- 25. (previously presented) The method of Claim 23, wherein the electrically insulating backing is wound around the preformed winding of magnet wire.
- 26. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the mica tape has a thickness of about 5 to about 150 micrometers.
- 27. (previously presented) The method of Claim 23, wherein the mica paper is wound around the preformed winding of magnet wire with an overlap of about 10 to about 90%, wherein the overlap is the amount of area of any one given turn that is covered by a succeeding turn.
- 28. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the mica paper comprises an adhesive.

- 30. (original) The method of Claim 23, further comprising disposing a polymeric resinous film upon the electrically insulating backing.
- 31. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the polymeric resinous film is disposed upon the electrically insulating backing with a portion of the first surface in contact with the backing and wherein at least a portion of the surface opposed to the first surface is in contact with the mica paper.
- 32. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the coating comprising the polymeric resin is crosslinked.
- 33. (original) The method of Claim 23, wherein the coating comprising the polymeric resin is a cured silicone having a thickness of about 10 to about 2,000  $\mu$ m.
- 34. (original) The method of Claim 33, wherein the coating is accomplished by dip coating, spray painting, electrostatic painting, brush painting or spin coating.
  - 35. (original) An article manufactured by the method of Claim 23.
- 36. (withdrawn) A method of manufacturing an article comprising: disposing an electrically insulating backing upon a preformed winding of magnet wire;

disposing mica paper upon the electrically insulating backing;

coating the mica paper with a polymeric resin to form an insulated preformed winding of magnet wire;

compacting the insulated preformed winding of magnet and a plurality of ferromagnetic particles in a mold at a pressure of 250 to about 1500 MPa.

- 37. (canceled)
- 38. (withdrawn) An article manufactured by the method of Claim 36.